### **CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT**

Committee: Council

Date: 21 May 2020

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Monitoring Officer

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#### 1.0 <u>ISSUE</u>

1.1 To consider an amendment to Council Procedural Rules within the Constitution with regard to Budget Amendments.

# 2.0 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 That Council be recommended to approve the proposed amendment to Council Procedure Rules within the Constitution, as detailed at Appendix 1.

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### 3.0 BACKGROUND/OPTIONS

3.1 At the full Council meeting on 20 February 2020, reference was made to the often last minute nature of Budget amendments to full Council, which meant that it was impractical to give proper consideration to them. Therefore, Officers were requested to bring forward Constitutional proposals to Council to prevent such a situation arising in the future. The proposed amendment is shown as 'track changes' at Appendix 1.

# 4.0 <u>ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS</u>

- 4.1 To facilitate the effective consideration and responding to amendments on the Council's Budget at full Council.
- 5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS/EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA)
- 5.1 No additional financial implications.
- 5.2 EIA not required.

### 6.0 APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – proposed amendment to Council Procedure Rules

<b>Background Documents</b>	<u>Location</u>	Contact Officer
Current version of Constitution October 2019	Room 214B The Grange Ely	Tracy Couper Democratic Services Manager & DMO (01353) 665555 E-mail: tracy.couper@eastcambs.gov.uk